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Please find attached a proposed amended claim.

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To: Examiner Christopher Babic (art unit 1637)

**U. S. Patent Application 10/824,829**  
**Proposed Amendments to claim 189**

Dear Examiner Babic,

Thank you for your thoughts at the Interview of September 19, 2007. As we agreed in the interview, we have sent claim 189 amended to address the issues raised.

189. A kit for amplifying template DNA polynucleotide, said kit comprising:  
an RNA/DNA composite primer that is capable of randomly binding to multiple sites  
within a template DNA that is capable of being randomly primed by the composite  
primer polynucleotide; and  
instructions for carrying out the method according to any of claims 1, 49, 65, 84, 108, or  
149.

200. The kit of claim 189 wherein the template DNA comprises mitochondrial DNA,  
chloroplast DNA, DNA-RNA hybrids, genes, chromosomes, plasmids, the genomes of  
bacteria, yeasts, viruses, viroids, molds, fungi, plants, animals, humans, or fragments  
thereof.

Claim 189 has been amended to indicate that only a composite primer that is  
capable of randomly binding with a template DNA is included, and that the template  
DNA must be capable of being randomly primed by the composite primer. We believe  
that this revision addresses your concern regarding unintended breadth. We also believe  
that the claims are not anticipated by Cleuziat nor obvious in light of the prior art.

We have also amended template polynucleotide to template DNA, and have made  
it clear that the composite primer is an RNA/DNA composite primer. Claim 200 is a  
dependent claim which recites some template DNA of the invention described in the  
specification.

We hope that the amendment resolves the issues we discussed. If so, we will  
proceed to submit a response consistent with these amendments. Please call Robert at the  
number below, or contact us to set up a time that we can call you.

Best Regards  
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